

BILL SUMMARY
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Research Analysis

Please see previous summary of this measure.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB1879 would allow death by nitrogen hypoxia to inmates facing the death penalty. Currently, it costs the Department of Corrections approximately \$500.00 per execution. This number could vary, but because of secrecy laws regarding Oklahoma executions, it is impossible, at this time, to get a precise figure.

Nitrogen hypoxia would be relatively cost effective, and could, in fact, have a positive effect on DOC's budget. The costs would be minimal and include the one time purchase of a gas mask (similar to what one experiences at the dentist), and the price for a canister of nitrogen.

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Other Considerations

None.